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In re Application of: Antoni P. Tomsia et al.
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Dear Sir:

I, Eduardo Saiz, do hereby state and declare as follows:

1. That I am an inventor of the invention claimed in pending Claims 1, 3, 5, 8-12, 20-28, and 30 of the present application.
2. That the article J.M. Gomez-Vega, E. Saiz, A.P. Tomsia, G.W. Marshall, and S.J. Marshall, "Glass-hydroxyapatite coatings on titanium-based implants", *Bioceramics: Materials and Applications III* pp. 15-23 (2000), with a publication date of February 2000, describes the Applicants' own work.

I acknowledge that I have been warned that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both (18 USC 1001) and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon. All statements made with my own knowledge are true, and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.

Respectfully submitted,



By:

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Dated: May 26, 2009